

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the title beginning at page 1, line 1, with the following amended title:

**~~Residential building with staggered dwellings~~**

**Dwelling House with Graduated Flats**

Please replace the first full paragraph on page 1 with the following rewritten paragraph:

**--Field of the Invention**

The present invention relates to a residential building with staggered dwellings according to the preamble of Patent Claim 1.--

Please replace the second full paragraph on page 1 with the following rewritten paragraph:

**--Background of the Invention**

Many people dream of having their own house or flat. The accommodation available for the middle classes is made up of houses that are at a relatively large distance from urban agglomeration, of terraced housing closer to urban agglomeration or of rented and bought flats in the town or city or in suburbs. Flats which are available today in town and city centres are not only expensive but also, in many cases, are not attractive to those who are not keen on typically urban buildings.--

Please replace the first full paragraph on page 2 with the following rewritten paragraph:

**--Summary of the Invention**

It is the aim with all known types of accommodation such as "maisonettes", "split-level dwellings" or Corbusier's "Unité d'habitation" to increase the amount of space available. In these types of dwelling, however, the various storeys are always rendered accessible via internal staircases. This restricts the opportunity for adaptation to individual living-style requirements.--

Please insert the following on page 5, before line 24, as follows:

**--Brief Description of the Drawings--**

Please replace the eleventh full paragraph beginning on page 6, line 35, and ending on page 7, line 5, with the following rewritten paragraph:

**--Detailed Description of the Invention**

In the residential building with staggered dwellings on which the invention is based, each dwelling 1 has a two-storey dwelling part 11 and a single-storey dwelling part 10. The way in which the surface area 100 of the single-storey dwelling part 10 is divided up may be largely adapted to requirements. The two-storey dwelling part 11 is divided up and has a two-storey living area 13 and a two-storey

outdoor area 12. Each dwelling 1 thus gains extra space in  
comparison with conventional residential buildings.--